



STATE OF NEW JERSEY  
DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY  
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS  
STATE BOARD OF NURSING

IN THE MATTER OF THE LICENSE OF

OLUSOLA O. AJAYI, L.P.N.

License No. ~~26NBP04910400~~

TO PRACTICE NURSING

IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Administrative Action

FINAL ORDER  
OF DISCIPLINE

This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Nursing (the "Board") upon receipt of information which the Board has reviewed and upon which the following findings of fact and conclusions of law are made:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Olusola O. Ajayi ("Respondent") is licensed as a licensed practical nurse in the State of New Jersey and has been a licensee at all relevant times.
2. On or around April 5, 2012, Respondent completed an online biennial license renewal application which asked "Will you have completed the required continuing education credits by May 31, 2012," referring to the thirty hours of continuing education required during the June 1, 2010 - May 31, 2012 biennial period. Respondent answered "yes" and certified that answer to be true by submitting the online application.

4. On or around July 12, 2013, the Board sent Respondent a demand for written statement requesting certain information from Respondent including certificates of completion of all credits earned during the previous three years.

5. Respondent replied, but failed to include any certificates of completion of continuing education.

#### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 13:37-5.3, a nurse shall complete a minimum of 30 hours of continuing education per biennial period. Falsification of any information submitted on the renewal application may result in penalties and/or suspension or revocation of the license. N.J.A.C. 13:37-5.3(a). Additionally, a registered professional nurse or licensed practical nurse shall maintain continuing education compliance documentation for a period of four years after completion of the hours and shall submit such documentation to the Board upon request. N.J.A.C. 13:37-5.3(f).

Respondent failed to demonstrate, to the satisfaction of the Board, that Respondent completed any continuing education required for the June 1, 2010 - May 31, 2012 biennial renewal period. Respondent's failure to complete 30 hours of continuing education during the June 1, 2010 - May 31, 2012 biennial period constitutes a violation of N.J.A.C. 13:37-5.3, which the Board deems professional misconduct within the intendment of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(e) and also constitutes a violation or failure to comply with a

regulation administered by the Board within in the intendment of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(h).

Further, the Board finds that Respondent's submission of his 2012 renewal, wherein he answered affirmatively that he had completed, or would complete, the required continuing education, when he did not complete the required continuing education, constitutes the use or employment of dishonesty, deception, or misrepresentation within the intendment of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(b).

Based on the foregoing findings and conclusions, a Provisional Order of Discipline was entered on March 17, 2014, provisionally suspending respondent's nursing license, and imposing a reprimand and a \$250 civil penalty. A copy of the Order was served upon respondent by certified and regular mail at respondent's address of record. The Provisional Order was subject to finalization by the Board at 5:00 p.m. on the 30<sup>th</sup> business day following entry unless respondent requested a modification or dismissal of the stated Findings of Fact or Conclusions of Law by submitting a written request for modification or dismissal setting forth in writing any and all reasons why said findings and conclusions should be modified or dismissed and submitting any and all documents or other written evidence supporting respondent's request for consideration and reasons therefor.

Respondent replied to the Provisional Order, and provided documentation of completion of 61 contact hours of continuing

education, all of which was completed after June 1, 2012. The Board accordingly considered this matter, and determined that suspension was no longer applicable, as respondent had demonstrated that he had completed all required continuing education to date. However, respondent's submissions demonstrated that respondent had not timely completed his continuing education obligation for the 2010-2012 renewal period, and that respondent had provided inaccurate information on his 2012 renewal application. Therefore the Board determined to finalize the Provisional Order, imposing the reprimand and \$250 civil penalty.

ACCORDINGLY, IT IS on this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of May, 2014,  
ORDERED that:

1. A civil penalty in the amount of two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250) is hereby imposed upon Respondent for failing to timely complete his continuing education requirements. Payment shall be made by certified check or money order payable to "State of New Jersey," delivered to George Hebert, Executive Director, State of Board of Nursing, P.O. Box 45010, Newark, New Jersey 07101. Payment shall be made no later than fifteen (15) days after the entry of any Final Order of Discipline in this matter. In the event Respondent fails to make a timely payment, a certificate of debt shall be filed in accordance with N.J.S.A. 45:1-24 and the Board may bring such other proceedings as authorized by law.

2. Respondent is hereby reprimanded for his violation of  
N.J.S.A. 45:1-21 (b).

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF NURSING

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